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mal whorl on the stem, are three more whorls of three leaves each set closely together, making a pretty rosette, and above those is the flower erect. Sepals rather larger than common; petals 11 long and 4 wide, with a white stripe running down the center, and a green one on each edge; stigmas four; one of the petals two-parted.

In the other plant a rosette of two whorls; a third abnormal whorl in this specimen also, but lifted half an inch above the others to the base of the flower. Petals green and white; one stamen abortive; stigmas two. The rosettes pressed and mounted measure in one plant 5^{ln} 10¹ across, in the other a^{ln} 11¹.

The upright flowers suggested T. grandiflorum, but the stigmas, distinct and recurved, and the short stamens are perhaps enough to prove the species to be cernuum; moreover, I learn that T. grandiflorum has never been noticed in that vicinity, and that T. cernuum is common where these plants were found. They were collected by a very youthful observer, Miss Anna Dimmock, who writes to me that there were several other similar specimens where she gathered those which she sent here.

—Maria L. Owen, Springfield, Mass.

An abnormal Hepatica.—A peculiar form of *Hepatica triloba*, collected near Boston, was brought to me recently. The peduncle, which is very flat, though not much larger than usual, is doubtless a case of fasciation. The involucre consists of seven green bracts of unequal size, one with a white streak on both sides. A normal flower of nine semi-white sepals is in the normal position. Another smaller flower, of six white sepals, is crowded between the larger flower and the involucre on a short pedicel. This flower has an involucre of three bracts, one green, and two of a variegated green and white color. Both flowers have the usual number of stamens and pistils.—Walter Deane, *Cambridge, Mass.*